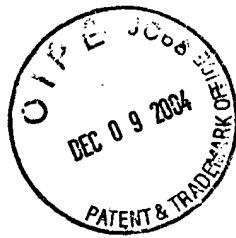


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: D. Jones
YUSHI MATSUKUBO et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 09/705,800)	
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Filed: November 6, 2000)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM,)	
IMAGE FORMING METHOD,	:	
AND STORAGE MEDIUM)	December 8, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004 for one month from November 25, 2004 to Monday, December 27, 2004 (following Christmas weekend).

Submitted herewith is a check for \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

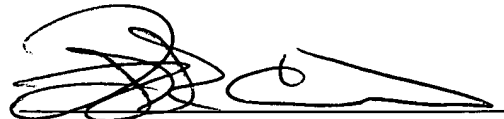
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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank L. Cire', written over a horizontal line.

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